

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

Approved 11/17/10

MINUTES ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

October 20, 2010 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to order to establish a Quorum

Dan Beebe called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call, members Present: Dan Beebe, Steve Carrow, Steve Timbrook, Nick Fuller, Bob Blaus

Established a quorum

Also in attendance was the City of West Chicago Street Superintendent Tim Wilcox and DuPage County Environmental Project Specialist Shefali Trivedi.

Invited guest Dave Sabathne, President, West Chicago Chamber of Commerce was unable to attend.

2. Approval of Minutes

A. Environmental Commission Meeting of July 21, 2010

Bob Blaus approved and Steve Timbrook Seconded

B. Environmental Commission Meeting September 15, 2010

Steve Carrow approved and Nick Fuller Seconded

3. Review and Discuss Commission Priority List

A. Current List

Guest Speaker Shefali Trivedi spoke about Commercial and Multi-Residential Recycling efforts.

Carol Stream – Multi Unit Recycling – Received County funds for recycling bins as a result of meetings with apartment managers, waste haulers and village managers. Project was initiated by the village managers and had strong participation from all groups involved. A baseline was established originally and the project will be assessed at later time for success.

Village of Westmont Pilot – Residential/Commercial Recycling – Westmont has one waste hauler company for the whole village (residential/commercial) which allowed Westmont to take a firmer role in

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the recycling activities. A pilot project was created between the village, waste haulers and chamber of commerce. Waste haulers have financial incentive to work with the village as well as a desire to look green.

Village of Lisle – Sustainability Initiatives – Lisle formed the sustainable business partnership. Village maintains the criteria for membership. They have a strong marketing campaign and website links for businesses who are members.

West Chicago – To proceed with recycling efforts we need to get the Chamber involved in the conversations. We need to identify a baseline of recycling activity and a level of support. We have 9 licensed haulers in West Chicago. We need to find out from the city what the interest is in sustainable projects. We should look into the Brilliance in Business award program.

Commercial Recycling Events – there are several events in the next couple of weeks.

Brilliance in Business Award

City has Brilliance in Business Awards. Included is a Green Initiatives Award for businesses with a commitment to environmental sustainability. The winners were announced recently.

Landscape Contract

Nick Fuller will look to see when the contract goes out.

C. New Additions

Jacobson Scrap Yard

The city has bought the Jacobson Scrap Yard. This is an opportunity to make some LEED Recommendations to the city for development

5. Adjournment

Dan entertained a motion for the meeting to be adjourned, Bob moved for the meeting to be adjourned. Steve seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:41 PM.